Appendix I.

[Vide answer to starred question No. 135 asked by Sri K. P. Gopalan at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 19th July 1952, page 599 supra.]

(a) to (c) The Chief Engineer submitted in July 1949 a revised estimate amounting to Rs. 40·205 lakhs for the reconstruction of the new Headquarters Hospital at Kozhikode. The possibility of reducing the cost was examined and it was decided that the following items of work in the new headquarters hospital scheme should be deferred :—

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(1) Ophthalmic block	3,30,000
(2) T.B., Venereal diseases and Police wards.	4,35,000
Total ...	7,65,000

It was also decided that the special departments referred to above, should be housed in the existing old hospital buildings after carrying out special repairs to them at an estimated cost of Rs. 1·50 lakhs. Besides the items of work referred to, there is no proposal to stop the construction of any other item of work connected with the new Headquarters Hospital scheme.

2. Subsequently, proposals were received last year for the utilization of the old Headquarters Hospital buildings at Kozhikode for the following purposes and these proposals were not approved :—

(i) Location of some of the sections of the Government Training College, Kozhikode.

(ii) Opening of a T.B. Clinic by the Kozhikode Municipal Council.

(iii) Temporary occupation of a major portion of the buildings by the Malabar District Board office.

(iv) Housing of the offices of the Revenue Divisional Officer, the Reception Deputy Tahsildar, the Special Deputy Registrar of Co-operative Societies, additional sections of the Collector's office, and the office of the new Special Collector and his staff in connexion with the implementation of the Malabar Tenancy Amendment Act.

(v) Opening of a hospital of indigenous medicine.

3. In December 1951, the former Minister for Education and Law, took the view that there was no use wasting Rs. 1·50 lakhs on the old hospital buildings after having spent about Rs. 30 lakhs on the new hospital and that he had serious objection to some of the departments continuing in the old hospital. It was however, finally decided that there was no reason for altering the decision referred to in paragraph 1. The question was revived in May last and it was decided that the demand of the Education Department for the old hospital buildings may be kept in suspense for the time

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being and medical branches not provided for in the new buildings may be set up in the old buildings until suitable accommodation is provided for them in the new hospital. The Health Department has considerable difficulty in getting their building schemes accepted and are therefore most reluctant to surrender any buildings in their possession which they can put to use for sanctioned purposes. The existing hospital buildings which are in demand by so many departments and therefore good enough for them cannot become unfit for the Medical department and in view of the imperative need for economising expenditure, Government have decided to use the existing hospital buildings for housing the special departments referred to.

APPENDIX II.

[*Vide item V, on page 654.*]

Petitions to the Assembly from the Andhra students and Madras Students.

(1) To the Hon'ble Members of the Madras Legislative Assembly, Madras.

Hon'ble Sirs,

We, the undersigned on behalf of the Andhra Students submit to you the following appeal signed by 37,957 students of Andhra from 153 institutions of all Andhra districts for favour of your immediate consideration. As the Hon. Speaker cannot directly receive it from us we submit it to you through Sri T. Viswanatham, the Leader of the Opposition. We request you all not to take this appeal as any party concern, but to consider it as a united appeal of Andhra Students to all Members of the Assembly irrespective of party affiliations. We request you all to consider and act upon the demands raised in this appeal immediately, as most of you promised in the course of General Elections for developing education in Andhra by bettering the lives of students and teachers :—

APPEAL.

(1) *Andhra Students' appeal to the Members of the Legislative Assembly, Madras.*

Respected Sirs,

We request you to take the following steps immediately for solving some of the serious problems facing the students and teachers and for developing education in Andhra :—

To reduce the tuition, examination and special fees from students enhanced since 1948.

To increase the freeships on the basis of poverty of the students.